

THE LORD'S PRAYER

All: Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

SENDING FORTH

✝ CLOSING HYMN

THE BLESSING

✝ POSTLUDE

THE LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

We acknowledge that our church is located on the traditional territories of the Erie, Neutral, Huron-Wendat, Haudenosaunee and Mississauga. May we continue to live with respect on this land, and to live in peace and friendship with all its people in the spirit of truth and reconciliation.

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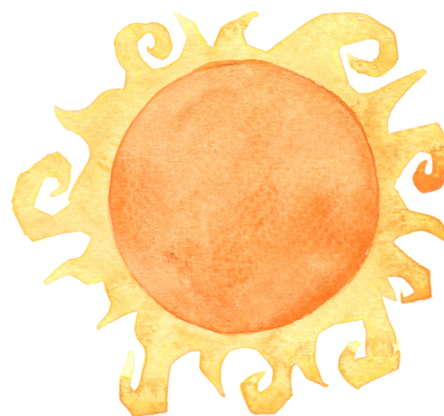
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SUMMER
WORSHIP
2026

Music Director:

Alexander Cann

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Kevin Geluch

Church Administrator:

Sue Hawthorne-Bate

SUNDAYS 10:30AM



SUMMER WORSHIP 2026

All are welcome for lemonade and fellowship after worship!

† Indicates content located in the weekly insert

THE GATHERED COMMUNITY

† PRELUDE

WELCOME AND LIFE AND WORK OF THE CHURCH

† OPENING HYMN

LIGHTING OF THE CHRIST CANDLE

One: We light the Christ Candle, reminding us that God's light shines among us and we are called to carry that light into the world.

CALL TO WORSHIP (Psalm 95, v 1-2)

One: O come, let us sing to the Lord; let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation!

All: Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving.

OPENING PRAYER

† HYMN

CONVERSATION TIME!

SERVICE OF THE WORD

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

All: Guide us, O God,
by your Word and Spirit,
that in your light we may see light,
in your truth find wisdom,
and in your will discover your peace,
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

† THE SCRIPTURES

One: The Word of the Lord

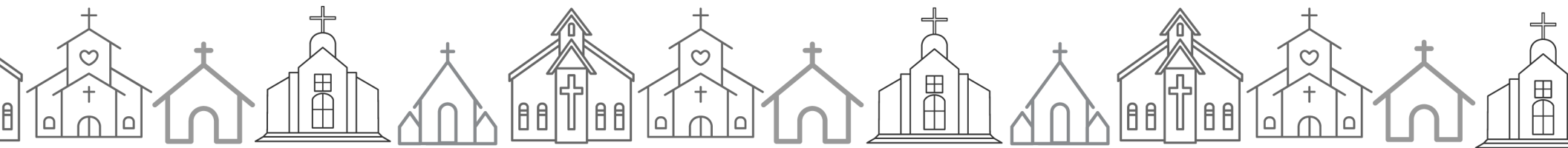
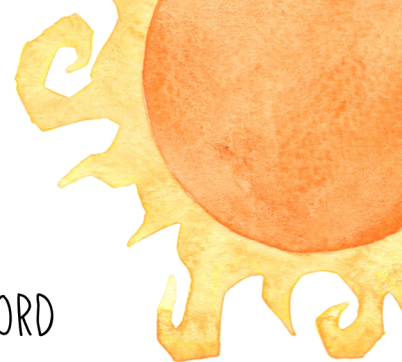
All: Thanks be to God.

THE REFLECTION

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

† OFFERTORY HYMN

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE



LIFE AND WORK OF THE CHURCH

SUNDAY, AUGUST 30, 2026

- **Mistletoe Bazaar** ~ Start planning! We are going ahead with the Mistletoe Bazaar on **Saturday, November 21st 9am to noon!** Please put this in your calendars now! We will plenty of cookies and baked goods plus 250ml jam jars. Jars can be dropped off at the church office over the summer (Wed-Fri 9am to 2pm). We will need plenty of volunteers on the day! We are now accepting vendor applications, please speak with Gwyn if interested! Stay tuned for more updates!
- **Bazaar Gift Baskets!** ~ Gwyn is asking anyone who is vacationing and enjoying their travels this summer to consider picking up a "souvenir" of their trip! At the Bazaar this year we will be having raffle baskets as a fundraiser for the roof. Please consider a donation to a basket: ideas include: pottery, jam, gift certificate for ice cream, bottle of wine, a unique handcraft.... Please drop these items off in the church office anytime in September labelled "Gwyn Bazaar." You can contact Gwyn by email, at gwynxag@gmail.com for more details on what might be needed.
- **Cooking in the Kitchen** ~ **Starting Monday, September 21 from 6 pm- 8 pm**, everyone is welcome to assist on Monday evenings with baking cookies, putting together pies and soups for our frozen food section and Bake table at the bazaar. We need 4 people every Monday evening (excluding Thanksgiving Monday) to assist in making this year's Bazaar a success. Please contact Libby or Gwyn and let us know your availability
- **Progressive Euchre** ~ **Friday, August 28th**, doors open at 7:00pm, games begin at 7:30pm sharp. No partner needed! Beginners welcome!
- **Board Games** ~ **Sunday, September 20th**. Come and play your favourite board game or bring your own! You do not need a partner. Entry fee is \$5, children under grade 1 are free!
- **Community Knitting & Crochet** ~ **Saturday, 19th, 9:30am - 11:30am**. there will be no meeting on September 5th! All skill levels welcome! Tea, coffee and snacks provided!



SUMMER OFFICE HOURS

In July and August the Church Office will usually be open
Wednesday, Thursday & Friday from 9:00am to 2:00pm.

Please be sure to submit your church related news for the bulletin or newsletter by
Wednesday of each week! Thank you!

SUNDAY, AUGUST 30, 2026

WORSHIP LEADER: LANCE WRIGHT
14TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Prelude



Opening Hymn: O Worship the King

VU 235



Hymn: New Every Morning

VU405



The Scriptures:

Romans 12:1-8

Psalms 26:1-8 (spoken, see insert)

Matthew 16:21-28



The Reflection: The Upside Down Kingdom



Offertory Hymn:

VU 300, vs 1

God, whose farm is all creation,
take the gratitude we give;
take the finest of our harvest,
crops we grow that all may live.



Closing Hymn: O God, Our Help in Ages Past

VU 806

Postlude

We always welcome children and understand that they may not be quiet during the service. We appreciate their joyful noise and are glad that they are here!

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